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NFAC Relations With the Academic World

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I. Consultants

A. NFAC Offices and the NIC have consultant contracts, most for a period of one year and renewable, with [] individuals. Most are faculty members at colleges and universities or members of research institutions. Some consultants are brought in on an ad hoc basis, others meet with their Agency contacts on a regular schedule. (List of Consultants is Attachment A).

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B. In addition, the NFAC Offices and the NIC had [] consultations with academics not under contract, for which a consultant's fee was paid, during the period 1 January 1980 to 15 June 1981. Finally, the Offices estimate that during that period they held approximately [] consultations with academics for which no fee was paid.

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II. Scholars-in-Residence

Beginning in 1977, some NFAC offices have provided opportunities for established academicians to spend up to two years working at the Agency as Scholars-in-Residence. These individuals are on contract and are reimbursed at roughly the salary they were receiving at the university or research center. (List of Scholars-in-Residence is Attachment B).

III. Research Contracts With Universities

NFAC currently has three research contracts with universities--all by OPA:

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IV. Contracts with Independent Research Contractors

In addition to the consultant contracts discussed above, NFAC Offices have a total of individual contracts with independent contractors. Most are academicians under contract to produce research papers for the Agency.

V. Presentations Before Academic Groups

Visiting groups of faculty members, students or alumni of academic institutions beyond the secondary school level were briefed at Headquarters on 57 occasions between 1 January 1980 and 15 June 1981. During the same period of time, Agency personnel appeared as lecturers, presented papers or served as panel members at colleges, universities, research institutions or meetings of professional associations on 237 separate occasions.

VI. Distribution of Unclassified Agency Publications

The Coordinator for Academic Relations distributed 53 individual unclassified reports to 134 distinguished members of university faculties or research institutions during the period January 1, 1980 to June 15, 1981. Offices in NFAC and the Office of Public Affairs distributed many additional copies to other academics.

VII. Visits by University Presidents

Between March 1978 and November 1980, the DCI hosted one-day visits to Headquarters by 36 college or university presidents and the presidents of the American Council on Education and the Association of American Universities. (List of University Presidents is Attachment C).

VIII. Discussion Dinners

During the period between August 1977 and September 1980, the DCI hosted 17 discussion dinners on subjects of major intelligence interest. The participants usually included three or four specialists on the topic under discussion from the academic or business worlds, several officials from other departments of government, and about eight Agency officials with an interest in the subject. The academics usually led off the session with short presentations and a discussion period followed. The small

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number of participants, limited to 16, permitted an easy and sometimes lively exchange of views. Academics who were impressive in these dinner-discussions were often asked to become regular consultants. An attendant benefit to the discussion-dinners was the opportunity, frequently utilized by NIOs or the various NFAC Offices, to schedule seminars for analysts in the Intelligence Community with the visiting specialists during the day preceding the dinner.

Topics examined during the dinner-discussions included such issues as North-South Relations, Verification and Monitoring, the International Financial System, International Terrorism, Arms Transfers, and prospects for stability in a number of key Third World countries.

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